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SUBJECT: TFIZ01: UAEG OFFERS MEDICAL TREATMENT TO

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REF: ABU DHABI 1662 AND PREVIOUS

11. The Office of the Chairman of the General Health Authority for the Emirate of Abu Dhabi Hamed bin Zayid Al-Nahyan publicly announced on April 13 that the UAE Red Crescent Authority (RCA) has been authorized to transport wounded Iraqi civilians to the UAE for medical treatment. The spokesman said that the UAEG recognizes that Iraqi hospitals are simply overwhelmed

by the number of patients, and the types of trauma encountered, since the onset of hostilities in Iraq.

12. According to press reports, each state-run hospital in Abu Dhabi Emirate reserves part of its facilities to treat foreign patients in extraordinary circumstances. The medical care would be provided free of charge, and the RCA would arrange for the transport of the wounded from Iraq. Comment: The announcement is not unusual for the UAEG, which also offered free medical treatment to wounded Palestinians following the devastation of the Jenin refugee camp last year. We will seek to coordinate this effort with the RCA through the Humanitarian Operations Center (HOC) in Kuwait, and provide further details when we receive them. End comment.

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